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**(54) CELL ACTIVATION
AGENT AND
PREPARATION FOR
EXTERNAL USE FOR
SKIN AND SKIN
CLEANING AGENT
CONTAINING THE
ACTIVATION AGENT**

(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:

To obtain a cell activation agent having high safety, exhibiting excellent cell activation effect and useful for the improvement of roughened skin, prevention of aging, or the like, by using a specific vegetable extract in combination with yucca extract.

SOLUTION: The objective agent

contains (A) at least one kind of substance selected from seaweed extract (preferably water extract of the whole body of brown algae), chamomile extract (preferably water extract of chamomile flower), soapberry extract (water and/or ethanol extract of the pericarp of soapberry) and extract of *Stephania cepharantha* (preferably containing cepharanthine) and (B) yucca extract. A compounding weight ratio of A and B (A:B) is preferably 9:1 to 1:9. A preparation for external use for skin or a cleaning agent effective for the improvement of the roughened skin, prevention of aging, prevention of falling off of hair and promotion of hair growth can be produced by compounding the cell activation agent in an amount of 0.01-50 wt.% based on the total weight of the preparation.

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